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TO:	ALL JOB CORPS NATIONAL OFFICE STAFF
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	ALL JOB CORPS CENTER DIRECTORS
	ALL JOB CORPS CENTER OPERATORS
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	Office of Job Corps
SUBJECT:	Phishing Scam: False CDC Sponsored State Vaccination Program for H1N1

- 1. <u>Purpose</u>. To inform Job Corps centers about a phishing scam referencing a nonexistent CDC sponsored state vaccination program for H1N1.
- 2. <u>Background</u>. "Phishing" refers to a criminally fraudulent process of attempting to obtain sensitive personal information via e-mail or text message by impersonating a trustworthy entity such as a bank, government entity, or charitable organization.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has received numerous reports of a phishing scam referencing a CDC sponsored state vaccination program for H1N1. The e-mail message instructs users to create a personal H1N1 vaccine profile on the <a href="http://www.cdc.gov">http://www.cdc.gov</a> Web site. Clicking on to the embedded Web link, "Create Personal Profile," allowed malicious code to be installed on the user's computer. CDC <a href="http://www.cdc.gov">has not</a> implemented a state vaccination program requiring registration on <a href="http://www.cdc.gov">http://www.cdc.gov</a>.

3. <u>Action</u>. Job Corps centers should disregard e-mail referencing a CDC sponsored state vaccination program for H1N1. Centers should contact their local health department or the CDC if unsure about the validity of any e-mail or other electronic message referencing H1N1 vaccination programs. Centers that received the vaccination phishing scam e-mail should report the incident to CDC via e-mail at <a href="mailto:cdcinfo@cdc.gov">cdc.gov</a>. Be sure to attach a copy of the e-mail and your contact information.

For more information about the state vaccine program for H1N1 phishing scam, visit the CDC Web site at http://www.cdc.gov/hoaxes\_rumors.html. For more information about

preventing phishing attacks, refer to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) Web site, <a href="http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/edu/pubs/consumer/alerts/alt127.shtm">http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/edu/pubs/consumer/alerts/alt127.shtm</a>.

Addressees are to ensure that this Information Notice is distributed to all appropriate staff.

- 4. <u>Expiration Date</u>. Until superseded.
- 5. <u>Inquiries</u>. Direct all inquiries to Marsha Fitzhugh at (202) 693-3099 or <u>fitzhugh.marsha@dol.gov</u>, Kelley Clark at (202) 693-3089 or <u>clark.kelley@dol.gov</u>, or Heather Edmonds at (202) 693-3774 or <u>edmonds.heather@dol.gov</u>.